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Subject: RE: Status of NYSDEC reports: "NG/N Bethpage" and "Bayer"

Carol: Happy New Year Rob. LOL about the 'lox'. It reminds me of the time when a co-worker from Washington State said that he would bring in 'smoked salmon' for a holiday party, as a signature dish of where he was from. When he finally brought it in, it looked just like lox to me. ☺

Steve: Lox vs Smoked Salmon hmm, sounds like the thriller in Manila! All one and the same, just varies on who's making it and how!

Carol: Regarding the NYS Report on the feasibility of full plume containment, DEC has been told by its upper mgmt not to issue it yet to 3rd Parties, including EPA.

Steve: Please note that, for the record, and let us all be very clear that this is **NOT** a feasibility study. Rather this is entitled "A Remedial Options" Report. This is not a report that has been prepared for an RI/FS process or an amendment to any Record of Decision. It is being generated to address the requirements of the NYS law requiring a report be generated. That being said, the report is still draft with upper management and yet to be released.

Carol: In the future, the general rule of thumb would be to please go through me when asking for schedules and reports pertaining to Navy/Northrop Grumman-Bethpage, in order to save DEC staff some extra e-mails and explanations.

Steve: This is not a bad idea but please note it is applicable only to the Grumman-Navy Bethpage site(s), and not, for example, the Bayer OXY Hooker RUO Polymers site next door which I will respond to separately to Rob.

Thanks in advance,

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Hi Steve,

Had a good time at a New Year's party, but the host was trying to explain to me what "lox" is and to eat some with my bagel. As if I never heard of it....!

Hope your New Years was enjoyable. I took off all last week and continued to "downsize" at home. I can almost see the rug in my den after 2 carloads of "stuff" went to "good will".

Inquiring simply to see if a couple of reports have been reviewed and finalized. If not, is there any schedule yet?

1. The Bayer final report on soils excavation and info on the "cover" at the Hicksville site, etc.
2. The NYS report on feasibility of full plume containment.

I have to address the 1,000+ ppb TCE sampling results from the Hooker Ruco monitoring well detected in 2013. I don't have any written documentation from NYSDEC agreeing it is not the responsibility from the former Hooker- Ruco Polymers site operations other than the "groundwater under control" form DEC issued that Northrop Grumman agreed to take responsibility for all contaminated groundwater. I'm pondering how to address this in the upcoming EPA Five Year Review Report. Apparently that report is either 16 years overdue (statutory) or due by June 2016 (policy).

Would appreciate a bit of your thoughts.

Regards
Rob Alvey